

## **Exhibit A**

### **Declaration of CDFW Warden Steve Crowl and Site Photographs**

On 02-20-15, I was on Uniform Vehicle patrol in Shasta County. During the patrol, I observed a large scale grading operation on Yolla Bolly Rd, Trinity Alps Preserve, with the corresponding GPS coordinates of N 40° 22.709, W 122°44.108. Incorporated within the area, I saw what based on my training and experience; I recognized as an area used to cultivate marijuana. It appeared there was a newly excavated pond. The graded area appeared to be in excess of one acre. Based on my training and experience, I believe the large scale alteration of the landscape, placement of excavation spoils, and the potential for fertilizers and or chemicals commonly used for marijuana cultivation at the site, could be deleterious to fish and aquatic life. I contacted Shasta County Building Division, and found that no grading permits were issued for the site. There appeared to be no erosion and sediment control measures taken at the site. See attached images below taken by DeWayne Little.



**Photo 1:** Photo show excavated pond and hillside. No obvious erosion control measures are in place.





**Photo 2:** Marijuana plants being grown on the property.

Upon reviewing my findings regarding the site with Lt. DeWayne Little, he advised me that he had accompanied Shasta Marijuana Investigations Team to the site on March 12<sup>th</sup> 2014. During that time, he assisted Shasta MIT in eradicating over 100 Marijuana plants, and documented dirt work on the site.

Based on my training and experience, I believe that the work done may be deleterious to fish and aquatic life pursuant to Fish and Game code sections 5650.

I declare that this summary and the above photos taken on March 12<sup>th</sup> 2014, are a true, correct and an accurate representation of the investigation and site conditions that were witnessed on that day.

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